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60% Oppose U.S. Role in Chile

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By 60 to 18 per cent, the American people feel it was "wrong for the United States to intervene in the internal affairs and to try to destabilize the government" of Chile.

Nevertheless, at the moment, Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger, who acknowledged the intervention, is still highly regarded by the American people. Late last month, a cross-section of 1,544 adults was asked nationwide:

How would you rate the job Henry Kissinger is doing as Secretary of State—excellent, pretty good, only fair or poor?

	Sept.	July	May
Positive (good-excellent)	73%	79%	85%
Negative (only fair-poor)	22	15	10
Not sure	5	6	5

Regardless of Kissinger's achievement and policy at large, the policy of U.S. intervention in Chile stands roundly condemned by American public opinion. People were asked:

Do you think is was right or wrong for the United States to intervene in the internal affairs of Chile and to try to destabilize the government?

	Total Public
Right	18%
Wrong	60%
Not sure	22%

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